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Reply to Office Action of Sept. 6, 2005

**Amendments to the Abstract:**

In the Abstract section:

Please replace Paragraph [Para 18] with the following amended paragraph:

[Para 18] A swab is detailed which is formed of two components: a straight, flat, wide plastic stickbody frame with a cutout at each end providing an offset length; and an absorbent material, ~~either material such as~~ cotton or foam rubber, which is attached to each end of the stickbody frame completing the swab construction. This design provides a safer and more versatile alternative to traditional swab design.